IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA WAYCROSS DIVISION

KELVIN WILLIAMS,

Plaintiff,

VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO.: CV504-069

CHERYL DIXON, Librarian,

Defendant.

ORDER

After an independent review of the record, the Court concurs with the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation, to which Objections have been filed. In his Objections, Plaintiff contends that Defendant Dixon denied him access to the prison reference library on February 5, 2004, before he was afforded a disciplinary hearing on February 12, 2004. Plaintiff contends that Defendant Dixon's actions on that date violated his right to due process. Plaintiff also contends that a copy of the grievance he filed pertaining to this matter and Defendant Dixon's statement, which the Court presumes was made in response to Plaintiff's grievance, support his assertion. Plaintiff does not object to the Magistrate Judge's recommendation as to his access to the courts and retaliation claims.

Even if Defendant Dixon denied Plaintiff access to the reference library prior to his disciplinary hearing, he has not shown that said action violated his due process rights. Defendant discharged her burden "by showing that the record lacks evidence to support" Plaintiff's claim that she violated his due process rights. See Hickson Corp. v. Northern

Crossarm Co., Inc., 357 F.3d 1256, 1260 (11th Cir. 2004) (noting that the moving party's burden is discharged by showing that the record lacks evidence to support the nonmoving party's case or that the nonmoving party would be unable to prove his case at trial).

The Report and Recommendation of the Magistrate Judge is adopted as the opinion of the Court. Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment (Doc. No. 21) is GRANTED. Plaintiff's Complaint is DISMISSED. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to enter the appropriate Judgment of Dismissal.

SO ORDERED, this 22 day of August _____, 2005.

WILLIAM T. MOORE, JR., CHIEF JUDGE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

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